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Rep. Hutton Statement on signing of the Project Labor Agreement Bill

MADISON – "I want to thank the Governor for signing this important piece of legislation today," said Representative Rob Hutton (R-Brookfield.) "This legislation removes another artificial government barrier to competition on publically funded projects. By opening up the bid process for public works projects we promote greater competition. More competition results in higher quality and lower costs on taxpayer funded projects."

Project Labor Agreements often required contractors to enter into collective bargaining agreements, as a condition to bid on public works projects. This prevented those firms, who are otherwise well qualified to compete, from bidding on many public projects while inflating the overall cost.

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Representative Hutton represents the 13th Assembly District which contains parts of Milwaukee and Waukesha counties and includes Elm Grove and portions of Brookfield, Milwaukee, Wauwatosa, and West Allis.